



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held November 4, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

“The approaching storm season brings the high probability that someone will get into a flood control channel and tragically be swept away by the fast-moving waters. While flood control channels are fenced and gates locked to prohibit access during storms, many gain entry by climbing over fences or through holes cut in the fencing fabric. While the Department of Public Works strives to maintain barriers in good condition, it is impossible to prevent access by someone determined to gain entry.

“The video entitled ‘No Way Out’ was developed by the Board, the Department of Public Works, and the Office of Education to educate people, particularly youngsters about the dangers related to flood control channels. The video and related instructional material were distributed to local schools and remains available to teachers and parent resources, as well as homeowners associations, community centers, etc., through the Office of Education.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried, the Board declared the month of November 2003 as "Flood Channel Safety Month" throughout Los Angeles County to encourage awareness of the dangers of flood control channels.

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